some of the Directors of Orkay Silk Mills Ltd., renounced the entitlement of 6,80,825 fully convertible debentures of Rs. 120/- each on shares held by them in the nominee and reresentative capacity. On renunciation, the rate of premium per debenture ranged between Rs. 385 and Rs. 550.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Financial assistance to Punjab Government to maintain law and order

2726. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Punjab Government has sought more financial assistance from the Centre to meet the exorbitant expenditure on the maintenance of law and order;

(b) if so, how much financial assistance has been given to Punjab Government to maintain law and order during the last two years; and

(c) how much financial assistance Government propose to give to the Punjab Government during the current year for the above purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI) : (a) to (c) The Punjab Government had requested that the cost of deployment of Central Police Forces in the State during 1984-85 and 1985-86 may be given to the State in the form of a grant. It was agreed to treat the cost of deployment of Central Police Forces in Punjab during 1984-85 and 1985-86 as special non-plan loan assistance to the State Government.

Credit deposit ratio in Bihar and West Bengal

2727. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1294 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th August, 1986 and state :

(a) whether the R.B.I. studies have since identified specific factors for low credits deposit ratio in Bihar and West Bengal; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) and (b). The level of Credit : Deposit ratio depends, among other things, on the level of economic activity and the demand for credit in a particular State or Region. Some of the main reasons for low C : D ratio are low credit absorption capacity, lower rate of fertilizer consumption, lack of uninterrupted supply of power and high level of industrial sickness.

Non deposit of employees P.F. share

2728. SHRI CHITTA BASU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether non payment of interests and scheduled and resheduled instalments towards loans and advances made by the public sector banks and non deposit of the employees' P.F. share, constitute economic offences;

(b) if so, whether fresh loans and advances are granted against the companies which are charged for economic offences;

(c) if not, whether fresh loans and advances were advanced by the banks to any West Bengal Company which committed economic offences during 1983-84, 1984-85 and 1985-86; and

(d) if so, the names of the companies and amounts advanced ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) to (d). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent possible.

Stateless Tamils of Indian origin entitled for Indian citizenship

2729. SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER :

SHRI CHITTA BASU :

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there are Stateless Tamils of Indian origin who have become entitled to Indian citizenship in accordance with the agreement reached with Sri Lanka;